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**EVENT: Sentencing**

**Defendant: Willie Haynes**

**FORMER FINANCIAL SECRETARY FOR LABOR UNION  
SENTENCED FOR MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS IN  
UNION FINANCIAL REPORTS**

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The former financial secretary of United Auto Workers Local 362, which represents employees of Bay City-based General Motors Corporation Powertrain Division, was sentenced on October 24, 2007 to a 12-month period of probation and ordered to pay a fine of \$2,000 for charges of making false statements in labor union financial reports, United States Attorney Stephen J. Murphy announced today.

Willie Haynes, age 61, of Saginaw, Michigan, was sentenced by United States Magistrate Judge Charles E. Binder. Haynes pleaded guilty in July, 2007 to one count of making false statements in labor union financial reports. The offense(s) arose from false statements that Haynes submitted relating to the amount of time he lost from his regular employment due to union work he did for Local 362. Haynes was entitled to be paid by the union due to union work. At the time of his plea, Haynes admitted that he falsified Local 362 annual financial reports (Form LM-2) filed by Local 362 for fiscal years 2001 through 2003. As

a result of the conviction, Haynes is barred from being a union official in the future.

United States Attorney Stephen J. Murphy said, "Accurate financial records for labor unions, as for businesses and government agencies, helps forestall and prevent the possibility of fraud, and therefore any intentional falsification of union financial records must be taken seriously. I commend the Department of Labor's Office of Labor Management Standards for their thorough investigation of this matter."

The case was investigated by the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Labor-Management Standards.